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Field Crops

Arizona's alfalfa condition was rated in poor to excellent condition, depending on location. Harvesting occurred on over three-quarters of the alfalfa acreage across the State. Sheep continue to graze on various alfalfa fields in many areas. Barley conditions are mostly fair to excellent. Winter wheat conditions are very poor to excellent, depending on location and 57 percent of the crop is planted, 27 percentage points behind last year and 21 percentage points behind the 5-year average. This week there were 7 days suitable for field work.

Moisture Conditions

	Subsoil Moisture	Topsoil Moisture
	- Percent -	
Very Short	0	0
Short	43	42
Adequate	57	58
Surplus	0	0

Arizona Vegetables, Fruit & Specialty Crops

Central Arizona growers shipped Bok Choy, broccoli, cilantro, green and red cabbage, Chinese cabbage, kale, lemons, and parsley last week.

Western Arizona growers shipped anise, arugula, broccoli, Bok Choy, green and red cabbage, cauliflower, celery, Chinese cabbage, cilantro, endive, escarole, frisee, kale, parsley, radicchio, spinach and various lettuce including Boston, iceberg, romaine, green and red leaf lettuce last week.

Range and Pasture

Recent rains brought in some needed moisture throughout the State, but not enough to diminish drought conditions. Range and Pastures were rated in very poor to good condition, depending on location.

Crop Condition

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	- Percent -				
Alfalfa	1	23	32	28	16
Barley	0	0	8	76	16
Durum Wheat	43	0	6	23	28
Range and Pasture	42	16	24	17	1
Winter Wheat	43	0	3	38	16

Crop Progress

	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 – Year Avg.
	- Percent -			
Barley, Emerged	24	-	77	70
Durum Wheat, Planted	57	-	73	74
Winter Wheat, Planted	57	57	85	80

– Not Available

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Temperature and Precipitation Data								
March 3, 2014 - March 9, 2014								
Station	Temperature				Precipitation			
	Avg.	Dep. 1/	High	Low	Past Week	Jan. 1 to Date	Departure From Normal	Percent of Normal
Aguila	60	6	78	42	0.00	0.43	-2.53	15
Buckeye	64	6	82	48	0.00	0.76	-0.86	47
Bullhead City	65	4	89	44	0.00	0.24	-2.04	11
Canyon De Chelly	44	3	65	24	0.00	1.34	-0.19	88
Coolidge	61	3	80	42	0.00	0.97	-1.06	48
Douglas	56	6	78	37	0.02	0.44	-0.99	31
Flagstaff	40	8	57	25	0.00	1.73	-3.18	35
Grand Canyon	39	10	60	17	0.00	0.81	-4.56	15
Kingman	54	6	74	37	0.00	0.55	-1.58	26
Maricopa	62	5	79	44	0.00	1.14	-0.67	63
Paloma	63	4	83	45	0.00	0.27	-1.59	15
Parker	67	7	84	46	0.00	0.44	-1.22	27
Payson	49	6	67	30	0.00	1.80	-2.84	39
Phoenix	67	7	82	53	0.00	0.99	-0.63	61
Prescott	49	9	66	31	0.00	0.68	-2.96	19
Roll	63	3	85	43	0.00	0.34	-0.32	52
Safford	56	5	77	38	0.21	0.42	-1.09	28
St. Johns	45	3	67	23	0.06	0.75	-0.76	50
Tucson	63	7	83	48	0.00	0.59	-1.25	32
Willcox	55	7	76	36	0.00	1.25	-0.59	68
Winslow	48	6	68	30	0.00	1.01	-0.14	88
Yuma	70	8	88	53	0.00	0.07	-0.59	11
1/ Departure of temperature for reporting period from average temperature for that week.								

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